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Programme of work and timetable of the First Committee for 2006

Programme meeting	*Dates*	*Number of meetings*
Meeting for the organization of work	Thursday, 28 September	1
General debate on all disarmament and international security agenda items	Monday, 2 October, to Monday, 9 October	7
Closure of the list of speakers for the general debate on all disarmament and international security agenda items[1]	Tuesday, 3 October, at 6 p.m.	
Exchange with the Under-Secretary-General for Disarmament Affairs and other United Nations officials	Week of 9 October	1
Follow-up of resolutions and decisions adopted by the Committee at its past session/presentation of reports[2]	Week of 9 October	1
Panel discussion with independent experts[3]	Week of 9 October	1
Thematic discussion on item subjects and introduction and consideration of all draft resolutions submitted under agenda items	Tuesday, 10 October, to Friday, 20 October	

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Programme meeting	*Dates*	*Number of meetings*
Deadline for submission of draft resolutions under agenda items	Wednesday, 11 October, at 6 p.m.	
Action on all draft resolutions submitted under agenda items	Monday, 23 October, to Tuesday, 31 November	

[1] A rolling list of speakers was open one month in advance of the beginning of the session. Delegations are encouraged to limit the time of their statements to a maximum of 10 minutes, and statements on behalf of groups of countries should not exceed 15 minutes. The list would give priority to high-level representatives and should be regularly shared with the Committee so as to increase transparency.

[2] Presentation of reports could also take place during the thematic debate.

[3] Wide civil society participation is encouraged.

Annex

Disarmament and International Security Committee (First Committee)

25-29 September	25 Monday		26 Tuesday		27 Wednesday		28 Thursday		29 Friday	
	a.m.	p.m.	a.m.	p.m.	a.m.	p.m.	a.m.	p.m.	a.m.	p.m.
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2-6 October	2 Monday		3 Tuesday		4 Wednesday		5 Thursday		6 Friday	
	a.m.	p.m.	a.m.	p.m.	a.m.	p.m.	a.m.	p.m.	a.m.	p.m.
	x		x		x		x		x	
9-13 October	9 Monday		10 Tuesday		11 Wednesday		12 Thursday		13 Friday	
	a.m.	p.m.	a.m.	p.m.	a.m.	p.m.	a.m.	p.m.	a.m.	p.m.
	x	x	x	x		x		x		x
16-20 October	16 Monday		17 Tuesday		18 Wednesday		19 Thursday		20 Friday	
	a.m.	p.m.	a.m.	p.m.	a.m.	p.m.	a.m.	p.m.	a.m.	p.m.
	x		x		x		x		x	
23-27 October	23 Monday		24 Tuesday		25 Wednesday		26 Thursday		27 Friday	
	a.m.	p.m.	a.m.	p.m.	a.m.	p.m.	a.m.	p.m.	a.m.	p.m.
		x				x		x		x
30 October-3 November	30 Monday		31 Tuesday		1 Wednesday		2 Thursday		3 Friday	
	a.m.	p.m.	a.m.	p.m.	a.m.	p.m.	a.m.	p.m.	a.m.	p.m.
	x		x							

The Committee will exercise flexibility on the scheduling of the meetings during the last two weeks of the session.